



PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No. D/99713

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Helen Paulino**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re application of: **David L. Salgado et al.**Application No.: **09/470,234**Group Art Unit: **2624**Filing Date: **12/22/1999**Examiner: **K. Poon**For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A CONNECTION SENSING APPARATUS****RECEIVED**

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

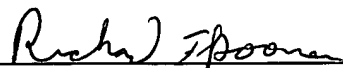
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time under Rule 1.136(a), as specified below, be granted for responding to the Office Action of 09/15/2003 due 12/15/2003.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> One (1) month -  | \$ 110.00   |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This Petition accompanies a response to said Office Action. |             |

Please charge the fee for this extension of time, and any other fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.21, and 1.136(a) (but not 1.18), to Deposit Account No. 24-0025. *One duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.*

Respectfully requested,



Richard F. Spooner

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